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LATEST TELEGRAMS.

THE GERMAN NAVY.

BERLIN, March 6.—The Admiralty memorandum submitted to the Budget committee yesterday places the normal average expenditure per year for building new vessels at 45,500,000 marks. Since, however, the naval armaments have been increased to 500,000 marks, and those of the preceding years were reckoned even a lower figure, it will be necessary to overstep the normal sum of 45,500,000 marks for the 3 years following, in order to fill up the deficit of 500,000 marks. The demand for shipbuilding alone in the year 1897-98 amount to 165,000 marks, in the year 1898-99 to 200,000 marks, in the year 1899-00 to 250,000 marks, and in the year 1900-01 to 300,000 marks. As the year 1901-02 is concerned, the demand for shipbuilding is estimated then for the next 3 years for a building of new vessels will amount altogether to 133,833,000 marks. Add to this the estimates for 1897-98, and the total amount of 533,833,000 marks (533,833,000 marks) is reached for shipbuilding.

QUEEN AND M. FAURE.

PARIS, March 6.—The "Gaulois" says it is rumored that Queen Victoria has manifested an intention to visit Paris. The Queen Victoria has manifested an intention to visit Paris. The Queen Victoria has manifested an intention to visit Paris.

MORE FIGHTING IN CUBA.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Havana dispatches chronicle severe fighting near Bayamo. The insurgents had to retreat with heavy loss, but the Spanish had 500 killed and over 30 wounded, many seriously.

THE PLAQUE IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY, March 6.—Lord Sandhurst, the Governor, has issued a notification appointing a special committee of 4 members—General Gatacre, Mr. Snow, Commissioner Surg-maj. Dimmock, and Mr. James, municipal engineer—to carry out, under the orders of the Government, stringent measures to suppress the plague in Bombay. The committee are to have in close attendance upon them. The committee are given the fullest powers to enforce the measures.

THE QUEEN'S REIGN.

PEKIN, March 6.—Chang-Yin-Hoon has been appointed special Ambassador to convey to the Queen the Emperor's congratulations on the occasion of Her Majesty's 60th year of her reign.

THE BUSH MURDERS.

SYDNEY, March 6.—The case for the extradition of the alleged perpetrator of the Australian bush murders not having been returned in time by the President, Butler was unable to sail for Australia to-day. The case for the extradition of the alleged perpetrator of the Australian bush murders not having been returned in time by the President, Butler was unable to sail for Australia to-day.

MCKINLEY'S TEMPERANCE.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—President McKinley announces that he will have a temperance table when dining officially, but otherwise will follow the example set by Gen. Hayes when he became President in 1877. Mrs. Hayes refused to permit wine to be served at the White House table, and her husband acquiescing in her decision, both of them were greatly benefited.

ENGLISH BANKER SHOT.

AN Argentine merchant, named Emilio Etchepare, shot on Friday, in Buenos Ayres, Mr. John Wanklyn, an English banker, with a revolver. The merchant had a dispute with the banker regarding money matters. The merchant was shot in the chest, and the banker was wounded. The case is now being investigated by the police.

CATAL THAMES COLLISION.

Yesterday, as the tug Leonard, belonging to Messrs. Leonard, cement merchants, of Greenwich, was drifting down the Thames, she collided off Greenwich with the sailing barge May, and the latter, the captain of which was thrown overboard. Although the barge was carried away by the tug, the crew were rescued.

EASTERN CRISIS.

GREECE DEFIANT: PREPARES FOR WAR.

DECLARATION OF WAR EXPECTED TO-MORROW.

ALARMING TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH BLUEJACKETS TO BE LANDED IN FORCE.

TRANSPORT REPORTED LOST.

DANGEROUS EXCITEMENT IN THE GREEK CAPITAL.

NOTE TO THE PORT.

Last night's telegrams from the East indicate that Greece is determined on declaring war. At four p.m. to-morrow the 6 days' grace allowed by the Powers to Greece expires, and an answer must then be returned to the identical Note, which is practically an ultimatum, the terms of which will be found on Page 6. At that hour Greece remains obdurate and refuses to withdraw her troops, the Ministers of the air Powers will leave Athens. Not until the admirals in Crete waters have been advised of the departure of the Ministers can hostilities or coercive measures begin. Greece will probably despatch an answer to the Note sent by the Powers to-day or Monday. The Greek fleet has left Crete, its destination being unknown, and everything at present seems to point to the intention on the part of Greece to maintain the position she has taken up, at all risks. Yesterday's telegrams are given in order below.

BLUEJACKETS TO BE LANDED.

CANEA, March 6.—Besides the Rodney, which left early yesterday morning, the British ironclad Campania, the French cruiser Chanzy, and a Russian warship have also left for Selino. The British Consul is to proceed inland for the purpose of opening negotiations with the insurgents for the release of the beleaguered town of Candia, and the warships now on their way to Selino, have orders to land 500 men to act as his escort. The strength of this force gives rise to the belief that the admirals have decided, in the event of Sir A. Eliott's mission proving unsuccessful, to compel the insurgents to raise the siege of Candia by force. It is considered here that such a step may have very serious consequences. The Turks are throwing up earthworks around Candia to enable them to withstand the fire of the insurgents' cannon. Hostilities which have been suspended for the past few days, have been renewed, shots again being exchanged between the Turks and the besiegers. The Greek ironclad Hydra having entered Suda Bay, the foreign admirals signalled to her to leave Commodore Sachouris, the Greek Commander, has not complied with the summons.—REUTERS.

WAR TO-MORROW.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—M. Skouzes, the Hellenic Minister for Foreign Affairs, has sent a cablegram to M. Botass, the acting Greek Minister here, instructing him to call out the men of the Greek Reserves, who are at present in the United States, and to urge them to go to the assistance of Greece. M. Botass is reported to have remarked that the cablegram was of a most alarming nature, and to have expressed the fear that war would be declared on Monday.—REUTERS.

IS IT WAR?

PARIS, March 6.—According to a telegram published by the "Gaulois," the Greek Government has decided that war will be declared against Turkey. The "Gaulois" has received the following despatch from its Sofia correspondent:—"It is reported that in the event of Greece refusing to obey the injunctions of the Powers, the Porte intend to summon her to evacuate Crete, and would regard refusal as tantamount to a declaration of war."

TURKISH WAR PREPARATIONS.

SALONICA, March 4.—Military preparations continue to be pushed forward with great activity. Battalions of the Salonica Redifs were despatched yesterday to Ceterina. Marshal Edhem Pasha, who has been appointed to the command of the troops at Elazoun, arrived here yesterday by special train, and will leave to-morrow for his new post. Nearly 60 battalions of infantry, 15 batteries of artillery and 4 regiments of cavalry are now posted along the Greek frontiers of Macedonia and Epirus. The Balm festival has passed off here in perfect tranquility.

THE TRANSVAAL CRISIS.

REPORTED BRITISH "ULTIMATUM" TO KRUGER.

It is rumored among the supporters of the Government that Mr. Chamberlain has sent a "plain" ultimatum to President Kruger and the Transvaal Government that the Transvaal Act is a contravention of the Convention of 1854, and must be withdrawn. A London correspondent bears "from a well-informed politician" that the relations between Mr. Chamberlain and the Transvaal Government are considerably strained. According to the informant this is no cause of regret to Mr. Chamberlain, for he shares with Mr. Rhodes the conviction that the days of the Boer administration are numbered. He would therefore like the struggle which he thinks must come to come quickly. Lord Wolseley is said to have estimated that the Transvaal could be conquered by 20,000 men, which encourages Mr. Chamberlain to believe that his views are practical. President Kruger is said to have the same authority to be quite unmoved, and to be prepared to resist at all costs.

THE GREEK FLEET.

has been divided into 4 squadrons. The first, which is styled the E. Squadron, is composed of the ironclads Parnassos and Spetral, the cruiser Naumachos, the armoured corvette Basilissa, and the despatch vessel Paros. It is commanded by Commodore Apostolia. The second consists of 4 armoured and 4 unarmoured gunboats, and is commanded by Commodore Ombasis. The third includes the ironclad Hydra and the cruisers Mytili, Alpheios, and Eurystos. The fourth is commanded by Admiral Sachouris. The fleet is to be divided into 4 squadrons, the first, which is styled the E. Squadron, is composed of the ironclads Parnassos and Spetral, the cruiser Naumachos, the armoured corvette Basilissa, and the despatch vessel Paros.

IS GREECE IN EARNEST?

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 6.—It is reported that the Greek Minister to Turkey, Pasha, has indicated that Col. Vassos will draw from Crete if the Turkish troops leave the island first. He has, however, been told that the conditions contained in the ultimatum of the Powers could not now be changed.

ATHEISM, MARCH 6.

According to a telegram from Art, Turkish transport which had landed at Salagora, on the coast of Epirus, a supply of provisions for the Turkish troops, ran ashore on her return voyage, and sustained serious damage. The vessel is reported as lost, and the cargo is being sought.

A NOTE TO THE PORT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 5.—At their meeting yesterday, the Ambassadors drew up a Collective Note, which was subsequently delivered to the Turkish Government. It calls upon the Porte to withdraw the Turkish troops from the interior of Crete and to permit the troops in the island, except a small detachment as guard for the new Governor-gen., will ultimately be required. The Ambassadors have decided to dissolve the International General Assembly Commission in Crete.—REUTERS.

ENGLISH VOLUNTEERS FOR CRETE.

REUTERS says—M. Metaxas, the Greek Chargé d'Affaires, is every day receiving letters from volunteers offering their services to the Greek Government. The Greek Government has also received up to the present the sum of £12,000 towards the expenses entailed by the present situation. Two cheques were recently sent to the Greek Consul-gen., from members of the Salvation Army, with an expression of regret that the sum could not be larger. Reuters' Agency also informed that some English volunteers have already left London for Athens in order to join the Greek forces. Moreover, some retired officers have called on the Greek Chargé d'Affaires, and offered their services at the disposal of the Greek Government. Next week a body of 100 volunteers will, it is said, leave England under the command of a British officer, and proceed direct to Crete to join the Greek Army there. The Greek Consul at Liverpool, M. Malandinos, has received a number of young men in that city to serve under the Greek flag. Nothing definite has yet been settled as to whether the services thus volunteered will be accepted or not. M. Malandinos is awaiting instructions on the matter from the Greek Legation in London.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT.

Next Saturday the first of a series of lectures on the historical and antiquarian features of St. Bartholomew the Great, Smithfield, will be delivered in the church, no charge being made for admission. The restoration committee have decided to complete the restoration of the house of chapel at once, and a number of the many of them 250 years old are now being demolished to allow of the execution of the work. These houses are of great antiquarian interest, and were originally inhabited by the French silk and cloth workers, who settled in Cloth Fair after their expulsion in the reign of Louis XIV.

THE DUKE OF YORK.

OPENING OF THE NEW PUBLIC BATHS IN MARYLEBONE.

INTERESTING SPEECH. Yesterday the Duke and Duchess of York, who visited Marylebone to open the new public baths and washhouses, met with an enthusiastic welcome from the inhabitants of the district. The streets leading to the baths—were gaily decorated with flags, banners, and streamers, and were crowded with some hours before the arrival of the Royal party. In the architectural features and general finishing of the building, no less than in its substantial construction, the commissioners have endeavored to make it worthy of the parish. There are a swimming and 101 warm baths, a public washhouse and laundry, an establishment laundry, boiler house, engine room, administrative offices, waiting rooms, and superintendent's apartments. All the latest improvements have been introduced, and

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

have been made for the use of school, regimental, and other clubs. In the gentlemen's first-class Pompeian bath, which has been handsomely decorated, and which has a gallery surrounding it, arrangements have been made for covering the bath with a substantial floor during the winter months for the purpose of converting it into a public gymnasium. The building is lit throughout with electricity. The duke and duchess, on arriving, were loudly cheered. The guard of honour was furnished by the 5th (West) Middlesex Volunteers, under the command of Capt. Cousins, the band of the regiment playing the National Anthem as their Royal Highnesses alighted from their carriages. The duke and duchess were received at the entrance by Sir H. Farquhar, M.P., Sir Blundell Maple, M.P., Mr. E. Boulton, M.P., Viscount Buryton, Mr. E. White, L.C.C., and the commissioners, who then proceeded to the baths and washhouses. On reaching the dais erected at the end of the large bath, the National Anthem was played by the boys of the St. Marylebone Parochial School.

PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS.

The duke and duchess were presented with a bouquet by Miss M. Michell, and Canon Barker having offered prayer, Mr. E. White, the chairman of the commissioners, presented the following ADDRESS TO THE DUKE. "We, the Commissioners of Public Baths and Washhouses for the parish of St. Marylebone, desire respectfully to tender to your Royal Highness our hearty thanks for the honor you confer upon the parish in coming amongst us to inaugurate the opening of the new baths and washhouses. We warmly acknowledge the kindness of your Royal Highness in taking part in the ceremony, and in presenting us with this beautiful and useful gift, which will be a permanent reminder of your Royal Highness's interest in the parish of St. Marylebone."

GLORIOUS AND HAPPY REVER.

enabled the parish of St. Marylebone to be the first in providing a comfortable and convenient establishment for bathing and washing. After 50 years the exacting requirements of the age have demanded an establishment of a more modern and convenient kind. The new baths and washhouses, perfect in every detail, a fitting emblem of the progress which has been made in the parish of St. Marylebone.

COST OF £20,000.

We feel that the presence of your Royal Highness at the opening of the new baths and washhouses, and the encouragement to the responsible duties, and encourage them in undertaking such undertakings as give occasion to this pleasant ceremony, which we hope may be a forerunner of many good works to which Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee will doubtless give birth.

THE DUKE'S REPLY.

The Duke, who was received with prolonged cheering, said: "To the Commissioners of Public Baths and Washhouses of the Parish of St. Marylebone, I thank you for the very kind address which has just been read, and for the welcome which you have given to the Duchess and myself on this occasion of our visit to the parish of St. Marylebone. I am assured you it gave us both great pleasure to accept the invitation to open this new building, which has been erected at a cost of £20,000. We have just inspected the excellent and convenient baths constructed within its walls, and I venture to congratulate the commissioners on the manner in which they have provided for

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and also the architect, Mr. Saxon Snell, for the admirable way in which he has carried out this improvement. (Cheers.) Such an institution cannot fail to be of great use to your community from a sanitary point of view, and as a valuable addition to the other public works of this parish. I was very pleased to see that a portion of this building was to be devoted to laundry purposes, by which the poorer classes must undoubtedly benefit. (Cheers.) While thanking you once more for the hearty and loyal welcome we have received, let me repeat that a pleasure it has been for us to come here to-day. I now have great pleasure in declaring the St. Marylebone Public Baths and Washhouses open to the public. (Loud cheers.) As the royal party left the platform there was continued cheering, which was renewed by the people outside when the Duke and Duchess took their seats in their carriage and drove away.

By order of the Middlesex County Council, the muzzling order throughout the county of Middlesex was yesterday relaxed.

THE BENIN MASSACRE.

MR. LOCKE'S RETURN TO ENGLAND YESTERDAY.

Mr. Locke, who, with Capt. Boisaragon, escaped the massacre of the British expedition to Benin, arrived in the Mersey yesterday on board the Volta. When Mr. Locke left the West African Coast it was feared that he would never regain his health, but the sea voyage had worked such a remarkable change that when he stepped ashore he appeared most robust. He was met by his brother and several friends from his home in Kent, and the meeting between them was of the most cordial and touching character. Mr. Locke stated that when he left Benin, Capt. Boisaragon was improving in health. He also stated that there was very little doubt that the punitive expedition would for ever abolish the barbarous tribal sway at Old Benin.

MR. LOCKE INTERVIEWED.

Mr. Locke, speaking of his escape, said that although his companions were unharmed when the attack was made upon them, they fought desperately with their sticks. Capt. Boisaragon and he, while hiding in the woods, could not move towards more friendly regions except by stealth and under cover of darkness. Their escape in the canoe was no less miraculous than their previous exploit, for they were smuggled into the small craft just when the look-out of the enemy who were awaiting them had retired for the night. Two or three natives who were friendly, disposed towards them, covered their canoe with leaves and branches of trees, and under cover of this shelter they remained until it became dark, when they quietly slipped down the river, and thus made their escape.

A BRITISH EXPEDITION.

Yesterday morning, Messrs. Elder, Dempster, and Co.'s steamer Batanga sailed from Liverpool for the West Coast of Africa. Amongst her passengers were 6 special service officers on their way to Accra in the Gold Coast. Their names are: Capt. H. Brackenbury, M.P., Mr. C. W. Gwatkin (2nd West India Regt.), Capt. D. Mackworth (2nd Royal W. Surrey), Capt. C. V. R. Wright (2nd S. Wales Borderers), and Capt. A. Montgomery (Campanians). It is understood that they are going out for the special purpose of looking to the protection of the frontier of the Gold Coast. For some time past there have been reports of the Gold Coast Hinterland being in a somewhat unsettled state, and the British Government has been anxious to send a force of British soldiers to the frontier. The officers who have left yesterday are all men of splendid physique, and were selected out of over 300 volunteers. The only man of the party who has previously been in the Gold Coast is Lieut. Greig. The senior officer is Capt. Campbell. The officers will land at Accra, where they will be placed in command of a force of British soldiers. The expedition will then start for the interior, their ultimate destination being the confines of the British colony near which Samory and his men are said to be hovering. It is stated that the name of the expedition will be "The British Expedition to the Interior of the Gold Coast." [Other news from Benin will be found on page 7.]

THE INDIAN FAMINE FUND.

The Mansion House Fund in aid of the sufferers by the Indian famine, amounted, last evening, to £295,000. During the course of yesterday more than £4,000 were received, the principal donations being the following:—The Earl of Wight, £1,000; Prince Henry of Battenberg, £1,000; the Duke of Devonshire, £1,000; the Duke of Northumberland, £1,000; the Duke of Westminster, £1,000; the Duke of Marlborough, £1,000; the Duke of Bedford, £1,000; the Duke of Gloucester, £1,000; the Duke of Kent, £1,000; the Duke of York, £1,000; the Duke of Cambridge, £1,000; the Duke of Cornwall, £1,000; the Duke of Devon, £1,000; the Duke of Somerset, £1,000; the Duke of Devonshire, £1,000; the Duke of Northumberland, £1,000; the Duke of Westminster, £1,000; the Duke of Marlborough, £1,000; the Duke of Bedford, £1,000; the Duke of Gloucester, £1,000; the Duke of Kent, £1,000; the Duke of York, £1,000; the Duke of Cambridge, £1,000; the Duke of Cornwall, £1,000; the Duke of Devon, £1,000; the Duke of Somerset, £1,000; the Duke of Devonshire, £1,000; the Duke of Northumberland, £1,000; the Duke of Westminster, £1,000; 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TRAVELLING A DIAMOND LOCKER

MURDER.

THE WRONG MAN CHARGED.

Mr. Curtis Bennett gave long bearings at the Police Court yesterday as to the extraordinary case in which an actress lost a diamond locket, worth £60, after returning from the Covent Garden ball on the 27th ult., as reported last week. The charged Henry Regent at Melody-house, of no occupation, who had stolen the locket. She gave her name as Kate Hampton, described herself as an actress, and lived at Albany-st., Regent's Park. She said Hayne at the Covent Garden ball and when they left they went to the theatre. In a cab directly after entering the house accused, according to prosecutor, put his arm round her neck. When he withdrew it she missed her locket.—In reply to the magistrate, she said she was sure the locket was safe just before for she had held it with her hand; and she denied all knowledge of it, and offered to be searched, but prosecutor persisted in accusing him of having stolen it, and gave him into custody. He was liberated on bail. From information which subsequently came to hand, Insp. Head, of Division, arrested Arthur Wood, 38, painter, and charged him, with having stolen Miss Hampton's locket—the same locket, it was assumed, that Mr. Hayne was alleged to have stolen.—Miss Hampton was now further examined, and said the locket had a loop, in which there were two small diamonds, the centre of the locket, which was heart-shaped, there was a large diamond, surrounded by 30 or 40 smaller diamonds. It was given her some month ago.

NOW SHE POINTS IT.

—Maud Mitchell, Denmark-road, said she had lived with Wood for years, and he had been a thief and a knocker about her about. Some of his family kept a disorderly house. On Friday night last week he knocked her about and followed her about the streets all the night. She could not go home for fear of his violence. Witness was not clear as to the exact time, but she remembered seeing him at 9 o'clock in the morning, she and a female friend hired a cab in Tottenham Court-road, and rode to the Home Shoe Hotel. In the cab she picked up a locket. Wood was opposite with two "little Jew chaps," so she called him over and said, "See what I have found." He looked at it and said it was set with diamonds, and he gave it her back. She then determined to keep it and see if a good reward was offered for it. They went home together, her lady friend being with her. After they (the women) had gone to bed, Wood snatched the locket from under her pillow and left the house. He did not return until about 7 o'clock that night, and then he was "blind drunk." She found £8 10s. on him. At first he said he had been betting and had won the money; afterwards he said he had given the locket to two men, who had sold it, and they had given her £8 10s.

For it. He had had some drink, and was robbed of a part of the money.—Det.-sergt. Gough, E. Division, said Wood called at Bow-st. on Monday, and said that in the interest of justice he had come to say that he had seen the case in the papers, and that the man in custody (Hayne) was innocent. He (Wood) was outside Covent Garden Theatre about 3 o'clock on the 27th ult., and saw two girls bustling a gentleman and fighting. He (Wood) thought the gentleman in custody had nothing to do with the matter. He did not know the girl. Insp. Head said the locket had not been recovered, nor had the cabman who drove the parties been found.—Mr. Curtis Bennett said he should remind Wood, to give the police an opportunity of tracing the cabman.—He then surrendered to his bail, said the police had fully inquired with regard to the documents which were handed to me worship at the previous hearing, and they (the police) had found that everything was perfectly satisfactory. They had also traced themselves with regard to Hayne's receipt. With regard to the house in Albany-st., he was instructed that it was kept by a woman who went

UNDER TWO NAMES,

and who had been prosecuted for keeping a disorderly house; that she dressed girls, lent them jewellery, and lived on the profits of the life; that he understood the character of the place his client found himself in. He asked that his client might be discharged.—Miss Hampton was recalled, and in cross-examination by Mr. Hutton said she was an actress, and was last employed at the Gaity Theatre 12 months ago. She had been engaged at Albany-st. 3 years. The person she there called mother was Mrs. Fuller. She had had the diamond locket one month. She declined to give the name of the gentleman who gave it her.—The magistrate insisted on her giving the name, and she said she would write it down if she liked. Having done that, Mr. Bennett then much.—Prosecutor added that she did not know the gentleman's Christian name, nor had she ever known his address. Miss Fuller, Mrs. Fuller's daughter-in-law, did not deny the locket was hers. She had said positively that her hand was on the locket when she entered the house with Hayne, but she would not now go further than say she was under the impression that she had it when she got home, but she was not certain about it. Her husband's statement with regard to the respectability of Hayne, and that the explanation about the documents on him was satisfactory. Mr. Curtis Bennett said there was not sufficient evidence against Hayne to keep him any longer in custody, and he was therefore discharged.

SUFFOCATED THEMSELVES.

An inquest was held yesterday at Melville House, Chatham, as to the singular deaths of Albert James Hosse, 19, and Alfred Edwin Jones, 19, belonging to H.M.'s ship *Shoerene*, lying in Saltpan Reach, near Sheerness. Evidence was given showing that the deceased men acted contrary to regulations by lighting a fire in the gallery for the purpose of closing all the means of ventilation. They were suffocated while sleeping in their hammocks.—Verdict, death from misadventure.

At Sigo yesterday, Timothy O'Neill, who gave an address at Brixton, London, was remanded on the charge of discharging a double-barrelled gun in the town, and thereby wounding an old woman and a boy.

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YESTERDAY'S SPORTING

(Continued from page 16.)

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNS.
INTER-COUNTY CROSS-COUNTRY
CONTEST.

VIC-STAR OF MIDDLESEX.
C. A. STEVENSON FIRST MAN SPUN.

The patrons of foot power-chasing again paid a visit to Wembley Park, the occasion being the inaugural meeting of the inter-county cross-country races. The different teams interested most of the spectators, it was clear that a large number want to see another meeting between George Martin and his cronies. The feature of the day was a contest such as the one under notice is the fact that several cross-country clubs, which are not affiliated to the S.C.C.A., were invited to send runners. This was well informed about those who are entitled to compete in the cross-country championship. The best men of the clubs to which we refer, however,

were started before the date of the inter-
 county race had been decided upon. How-
 ever, the contest produced an exciting
 finish, with C. S. Silsby, of the
 Sydenham, of the Surrey team, who scored an
 easy win over C. S. Silsby (Southern Junior
 Champion), who was representing
 the Surrey team, and the Southern
 Senior Champion, G. Martin (Middlesex),
 fourth. The last-named ran much below his
 form. Details:
 1. Sydenham, Surrey, 6 min 45 sec.; 1. C.
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 Hill, Essex, 6 min 22 sec.; 3. S. J. J. J.
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held a commanding lead, and he passed the post an easy winner by fully 200 yards from Silby, the Junior Champion, who was a close second. The distance of 16 miles forward position came somewhat as a surprise. The Southern Champion, Martin, was the nearest arrival, in close company with the club champion, John D. Desoit. All three were in sixth position, with another old runner, Randall occupying the seventh place. Charles of Essex, in finishing eighth and a good pace behind, was the only one to have the same form in the Southern "nampionship" victory would have gone to his club, the Essex Begonia. It was generally expected that the Southern race would be won easily since the Southern race but the winner certainly ran a different race than on that occasion.

total, 232, 3.
Kent: 17, 24, 27, 30, 33, 37, 39, 43, 45
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New York: 19, 25, 41, 48, 50, 52, 57, 65
total, 434, 5.
Suffolk: 23, 35, 54, 56, 60, 63, 64, 68.
The other 19 districts did not close in.
The three officials were: Starter and referee, Mr. A. B. Birtles; timekeeper, H. Rothery and T. H. Warland, both sec., Arith. Cook.

YACHTING.

A Reuter's telegram from Hyeres says:—The Hyeres International Regatta, the commonest and most important of the regattas, was held on the 7th and 8th classes, that is of over 30 tons (Union des Yachts Français; *Union des Yachts Français*), and the silver medal was won by the *Union des Yachts Français*. First prize, an object of art and a silver medal. Presented by the Union des Yachts Français. Second prize, a silver medal. Presented by the Union des Yachts Français. Third prize, a bronze medal. Presented by the Union des Yachts Français.

started. To start at 10.45 a.m. Only 2 yachts sailed, viz.—Britannia, 111 tons, H.R. Fricker, skipper, and the 100-ton yacht, *Wanderer*, skipper, Walker. Result (after calculation of the allowance): Britannia, 4hr 0min 35sec; *Wanderer*, 4hr 13min 30sec, 2.

On 12 July, the 1st race was started at 10.45 a.m. by yachts of more than 5, and not exceeding 20 tons. First prize, an objet d'art and a silver medal, presented by the Union des Yachtmen de France, was won by the 10-ton yacht, *Wanderer*, skipper, Walker. Result (after calculation of the allowance): *Wanderer*, 4hr 13min 30sec; 2nd prize, a bronze medal. Course, round the point of 16 miles. The following yachts sailed: *Wanderer*, 10 tons, Col. Page; *Maigre Tour*, 20, Mde. Laireubout; *Asphodé*, 60, Mr. Harrison-Lambert. Result (after calculation of the allowance): *Wanderer*, 4hr 13min 30sec; 2nd, *Maigre Tour*, 4hr 20min 30sec; 3rd, *Asphodé*, 4hr 25min 30sec.

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RACING.

Thames R.C.—The run-tum handicap of the club was rowed in heats between Putney R.C. and Craven Cottage, and the following were the results: The first heat was rowed on 10th inst., with E. W. Ross, 12 sec.; 2, R. Acherley, 3 sec.; 3, R. C. Whiting, 2 sec.; 5, W. P. Wain, 9 sec.; H. B. Burt, 9 sec.; 6, Sir Lawrence, 10 sec.; 7, F. O'Neil, 10 sec. The length between second and third and half length between third and fourth.

Polytechnic R.C.—The last winter race presented a very different picture after it had pulled 8 preliminary heats and 3 heats the second round, the following was the result of the final: George Smith, 7 sec. 2 sec.; Sir Lawrence, 10 sec.; 3, F. O'Neil, 10 sec. Wou by off; half a length between second and third.

The L.A.C. Club opened their season at scratch. First P. F. Welch (bow), Stratford, C. Marsh, T. Welch (stroke). Wright (cox); 1. G. Herring (bow, A. Crombie, H. Gale, A. Ayling (stroke), Salmon (cox). This was an exciting race from start to finish, and was won by 2 feet.

FOOTBALL.

SOUTHAUGE MATCHES.

Ayley Rovers, 4; Park School, 0. Belmont, 4; Hermitia, 1. Collegiate, 3; G. ton School, 9.

TOTTENHAM MARSHES MATCHES.

Wood Green Clarence, 4; Cranbrook, 1. Lansdowne drew with Colithorne, no goalkeepers. 1st XI, 7; 2nd XI, 6. View Road, 3; Karcham, 1. Park, 8; Paul's (Edmonton), 6. Willoughby All-



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ing team win outright, viz., Sheffield United, who went to Sunderland and won by 1 to 0. In the other match, Sheffield Wednesday v.

Bolton Wanderers, neither side could score, and a rather tame match ended in a pointless draw. It will be noticed that the clubs engaged were those principally concerned in the question of the test matches. On Thursday Liverpool beat Wolverhampton Wanderers by 3 goals to 0. The forward play of the Wolves was sadly at fault, for they failed to use several first-class openings.

Of the 5 Second Division games played, 4 resulted in the victory of the home clubs. The only loss in the programme were the defeats of Notts County, at Darwen, and Leicester Fosse, by Blackpool. Manchester City gained 3 welcome points out of the visit of Gainsborough Trinity, while, as Grimsby Town beat Lincoln City, the latter were practically eliminated from bidding for second place. West Ham and the best of a lively game with Burton Wanderers.

West Bromwich Albion, through injuries, are not now at full strength, and they were beaten by the Corinthians comfortably. The football generally was pretty to watch, but it must be said that the programme was not very successful. Millwall Athletic host for the fifth time this season at Farnhamstead, and the home team avenged their dismissal from the Cup and took first place on the United League table. The team were beaten by the visitors, being drawn 1-1.

Grimsby Town, Nottingham Forest, and York City were the only teams to play at home.

tained a win in the series. The poor shooting of their forwards lost them the game with Luton. Luton proved too strong for Kettering.

In connection with the Southern League, the results of the 2 matches played on the last Saturday in February do not affect the position of the championship. "The Old Firm," Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal, are still the favourites. Kingston, who have been very successful since they were promoted from the Amateur Cup, The Old Cartusians look like winning the trophy.

Of the Rugby matches, public interest centred mostly in that between the North and South, at Dewsbury, in December last. At the time it was expected that the North would win by the narrow margin of a try to 0, but on the second occasion the North took ample revenge, winning by 13 points to 0. It was not so good for the South as they had hoped. The playing of a second North v. South match in one season arose from the necessity of an English trial game before the ground was ready for the first international. Both teams suffered very considerably from those which constituted the previous match at Richmond. A strong wind and rain did much to make matters worse. It was probably served its end by enabling the committee to select a reliable 15. The early stages of the game went quite in favour of the home side, but they fell away unaccountably after changing ends.

In the South, each of the Universities had a easy victory. In the autumn the London Scottish were able to effect a pointless draw with the Oxoniens, but the latter at home were victorious by seven goals and two tries. They were greatly encouraged, but Oxford were decidedly the stronger behind the "scrum." Though Cambridge played a comparatively weak 15 in the first match, they were no less successful in the final goal over Old Merchant Tailors at the "Varsity town. The chief game in the London district was the meeting of Richmond v. Harlequins. Little interest was shown in either club as they were weaker than usual, but Richmond suffered most from this cause, and the game ended appropriately enough in a draw.

The club championship of the United Kingdom may unhesitatingly be awarded to the Linsley team. Linsley, still with an unblemished record, added to their long list of good performance a season's victory over Newport. It is not to say that Gould was absent from the lower ranks.

On Tuesday, several matches of importance were decided. After playing a drawn game on the 23rd ult., Guy's managed, on Tuesday, to secure the right to meet St. Thomas's in the final for the Hospital's Rugby Cup, by beating St. Bartholomew's by 1 dropped goal and 3 tries to 2 for St. Nicholas. Where the whole series is being played. On the same day 3 matches in the first Division of the League were decided. Bury beat Everton, Sunderland and Burnley beat Manchester City and Manchester United. On Wednesday drew with Sheffield United. In the second Division, Newton Heath easily disposed of Darwen.

Should Kilpatrick come to this country as a cash prize-winner (and there appears to be no reason for doubting the statement that he will do so) the new professionalism should receive a severe lesson. The man who is a professional is only one man, however, in this country, so far as we know, who can meet the American up-upter levels terms at his own distance. I refer, of course, to E. C. Bredin.

The inter-hospital race, as Chingford, resulted, as was rather expected, in a walk over for Guy's. The latter again secured the form of a champion, the scrum and finishing being in the hands of the latter. The latter was won by that improving runner, R. M. Barrow.

At the National Sporting Club, on Monday Johnny Thomas, of Leather-head, beat Max Palmer, of Caning Town, in a rounda. Although in pick notch is wanting, Matt Palmer does not seem to be a very good player. He is a bit more famous, really, Fred. Palmer.

ANNOYING AN OLD LOVER

Agnes Arnold, 27, living at Malda vale, was by Marylebone charged with annoying James Gurney, a gentleman residing at 10, Grafton, Grosvenor, near St. James's Park, for complainant, said his client some 6 years ago made the acquaintance of the young woman, whom he met in the street. They became intimate, and from time to time she was paid sums of money for her services. She had a child, an infant, and she alleged that Mr. Gurney was the father of that child. She had previously made some admissions about another man; but Mr. Gurney, thinking it possible that she might be the mother of the child, undertook to make some provision for it. Then his client received a number of scurrilous letters, and the matter was placed in his (Mr. Newton's) hands. In November, 1904, he was drawn up, under which his client was committed to gaol.

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for present necessities, paid all the costs incurred, and undertakes to pay the balance of the costs. That money has been paid regularly, but she seemed to have got into her mind that, if she was persistent enough, his client would give her more money. She had written letters

case, she had even been wicked enough said Mr. Newton, to write to prosecutor Plowden and had several times called at his house. She had threatened to take the baby to the house unless he sent her more money. There was no danger to her child, but Gurney was entitled to protection from her annoyance.—The girl expressed contrition, and, after some hesitation, Mr. Plowden said he would give her one more chance, but if she repeated her conduct she would certainly go to prison.—She was then discharged.

LORD R. CHURCHILL.

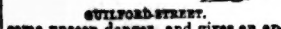
It is understood that the memorial Lord R. Churchill will take the form of a petition, and it is at present expected that the subscriptions should be confined to Unionist members, but many Radicals, notably Sir C. Dilke, having expressed a desire to be allowed to show their admiration, the lists have been extended to include 100 guineas were subscribed. The bust will be placed near that of the late Mr. W. H. Smith, the members' entrance to the central lobby.

In order to encourage the study of good music among the City employees an orchestral class will be held at the Guildhall School of Music on Monday evenings at 6.30 o'clock, beginning with the new term in April.

TOBACCONISTS CONCERNING 1114. Guide to Cigarettes (No. 1114). A Tobaccoists' OUTSTANDING ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN. America has original tobacco products. **W. J. WATSON, CHAIRMAN, W. J. WATSON, CHAIRMAN, W. J. WATSON, CHAIRMAN.**

No. 17.—"THE PEOPLE'S' PAL8
OF THE PAVEMENT."

The stranger whom chance or appointment draws to the neighbourhood of Guilford-st. or Russell-sq., may often be surprised by the apparent casual apparition of a small old man, who gesticulates wildly in the air with his arms, accompanying this motion with a dance of a very original order. The stranger, whomever he may be, takes it generally as a warning against



GUILFORD STREET.

some unseen danger, and gives an apprehensive glance around him, but on further acquaintance he finds the sun-

under a quick look at the specimen to be a real live specimen of the human race, and a very lively specimen too, for an old man over 70. His motions, for he rarely opens his mouth, is to call attention to the "lights" he is vinding to an indulgent public. He has been a baker, and a proof of this he calls attention to his trousers. "A master baker," he chuckles, "look at me brow'ers." What affinity there is between trousers and bakershops he does not explain. He sells his presentation as a "pal" of ours, who has now to look after a freckling room. Our present little "pal" is famous in the name of Shedel. He

has served his country and the Queen in the Royal 60th Rifles; regimental number. 1827, the year he was born in. He joined in 1858 and left in 1870. He has been to India, his greatest achievement being the capture of a chief after leaving the Army he took up his old trade as a baker. Any reader would like the mystery of the "baker's trousers" explained by some lights, don't mind our "pab" dancing, he suffers from cold feet.

with conspiring with Hadfield to obtain the money.—It was stated that counsel for the prosecution in the latter trial is an alleged fraudster, who in connection with turf transactions, advertisements, said counsel, were inserted in the newspapers by prisoners, stating that a good chance was offered to investors in a West-end business. Investments, it was added, were made in the "turf" and the "man" in connection with the turf, the turf being the readiest means of turning the money over and over."

A TRAVELLER'S STORY.

—Mr. C. Jarvis, commercial traveller of Staines-st., Tollington Park, gave evidence of certain transactions in connection with the "turf" and the consequence of seeing one of the latter advertisements in a newspaper.

had invested \$220 and received a good return of \$335, which he considered a profit. He had not demanded the return of his capital, neither did he look upon the matter in the light of a gambling transaction. He found the statement made in the advertisement that the profits were \$22 weekly on capital invested \$220 to be untrue. The defendants were again remanded to jail, and for Price in \$200.

same neighbourhood, was heard. The allegation of plaintiffs was that defendants had circulated a statement to the effect that the doctor and the woman he lived with were not married and that the doctor was not a doctor at all. Defendants denied the utterance of the words.—Plaintiff gave evidence bearing out the opening, and proved that he was a doctor, and produced his marriage certificate.

MRS. KIDNER CALLED.

—Mrs. Enid Kidner was called, and asked the following questions by Mr. Massie Kidner. She went to live in Kingsbury in 1933, directly after her marriage. The Whites were living there then. In the spring of 1934 she had conversation with Mrs. Still, but witness said nothing about Mr. and Mrs. White. Mrs. Still spoke to her about the matter once, asking her if she

White were not married. Witness testified that she had, and Mrs. Still marked that there was no truth in the rumour, upon which witness said she was very glad to hear it. Mr. Kidner further denied making any statement of the kind alleged to Mrs. Brooks, the wife of the farm bailiff.—His lordship said there was no evidence of slander against the defendants Greenway, and they were accordingly dismissed from the action. The jury returned a verdict that the plaintiff had been slandered, but not by Mr. and Mrs. Kidner.—Judgment for defendants.

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THE WITNESS'S HORRIBLE STORY
Has been read out 10 years by millions of mothers to their children while tending, with perfect care, the delicate nerves of the babes, and the delicate skin, cured with cold, and is the best remedy for them.

OF ALL CREAMS, IS THE—GOLDEN—

J.P. AS STONEBREAKER.
Charles Nixon, 31, clerk, of no home, was
hauled at Stratford with refusing to per-

Mr. Ham Workhouse—Prisoner, a man of slight build, admitted that he had resorted to the stonebreaking, as he was not allowed to do the work. He had a clerk who was not used to such work—Mr. Tabrum (chairman): It is extraordinary necessity to not a man like this to such a task as stonebreaking. I speak from experience. Mr. Connor (other member): He has been in the army—Mr. Tabrum: What of that?—Prisoner: When I was in the army I was 11 years sentenced as a clerk—Mr. Connor: He did not even attempt to do the work, and he was sent to the stonebreaking, and it shook my nerves to pieces very nearly. I thank God I was not a casual under the West Ham Board of Guardians. A bricklayer's la-

prisoner used to do such work of the kind as to ramp can do it, but to ask a man who has been the pen to do such work because he happens to be down on his luck seems to be downright cruelty—that is my personal opinion. Prisoner said he was sorry he had broken the law, and, having been cautioned as to what might happen if he did it again, he was discharged.

A LAMP AT A WIFE.
At N. London, Robert Hammett, 35, porter, of Stoke Newington-rd., was charged on remand with causing bodily harm to his wife by throwing

a lighted lamp at her. Mrs. Hassett said that her husband was addicted to drink, and he had badly treated her during the whole 12 months that they had been married. On the 23rd ult. prisoner came in drunk and demanded some money. Witness had property of her own, and when she refused to supply his needs, prisoner

BECAME VERY WRESTLE.

and threw a wedding-ring on the fire. He then seized the paraffin lamp, which was lighted on the table, and threw it at her. The reservoir broke on her head and inflicted a serious wound. She was attended by the police surgeon and subsequently taken to the infirmary, where she was detained for several days.—Mr. Taylor sentenced

PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO.
The 46th annual report of the Prudential Assurance Co. makes very pleasant reading for its shareholders. During 1896 policies issued to the number of 64,241 were issued, and on the amount received in premiums shows an increase of \$239,249 over that of 1895. In the industrial branch the increase in premiums was \$225,156. The total increase in premiums was \$464,405 in the assets of both branches. Next year the company will celebrate its jubilee, and to mark the occasion the sum of £50,000 is to be asked for from the surplus of 1896. This sum will be used in acknowledgement of "the zealous and loyal services of the insurance."

THE GARDEN.

(WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR "THE PEOPLE.")

FRANKLIN ROSS.

During the last week or so roses that have been recently moved have started into vigorous growth, and many of my readers are, I have no doubt, anxious about the promise it is, and are distressed to find that the roses seem to have to outgrow any young green shoots several inches long, but I am afraid there is no help for it, as this premature growth is a disadvantage, as the leaves the plants are making will fall off, and any leaves that get damaged by cold winds if left. Our own roses are growing freely, except those planted last autumn, which are at present dormant and which I trust will be able to outgrow the plants growing in sheltered gardens in warm districts may be pruned before those in exposed cold

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As **ABOUT THE TIME TO PRUNE**, from the first of March is a good time to begin with the warm spots first. Finish with the exposed plants. The trees may be left till April. Wall roses may be pruned early in March.

RAISING TENDER SCOTCH FLOWERS FROM SEEDS.—These are usually raised in beds. Where there is a cucumber bed at work the seeds will soon germinate, and if the young plants are pricked off into boxes as soon as they are large enough to stand, they will be large enough to put in still keeping the plants in a warm house or pit, they will flower in the greenhouse in July, or they may be planted outside, and will make a gay bed in the autumn. To do this the seeds must be sown in a box, and the seeds are sown. The seeds are very small, and some care is necessary.

in covering and also in watering after sowing. If covered too deeply, or if watered heavily, the seed will rot. The soil must be well with broken pots or something porous, place rough soil or moss over the seeds, and fill in with fine light sandy soil pressed down firm. Fill the pot to within half an inch of the rim, and water it with a fine-sprayed pot, using warm water. So the seeds thinsly, and cover with about one-fifth of an inch of sand. Set the pot in a bucket, and cover with a glass pane. No additional warm water is required, dip the pot in a pail, nearly up to the rim, till the soil is all moistened.

SOWING TENDER ANNUALS.

A good deal of useful work may be done with a frame on a slight raised bed. It is quite possible to raise enough to furnish a fair-sized garden in a frame of only moderate dimensions. Stocks, asters, dianthus, marigolds, Chinese pink, and Phlox drummeii are the best to sow in the frame first, and start them in the frame. When large enough to handle, prick off into other boxes, and when started

lied hardened off and planted out in the open. The weeds, grasses, and sinners, being rather tender, have better be kept under cover till the first week in May. Those who have any difficulty in raising sweet peas in the open may sow the seeds in pots, and then put them out when ready. Fancies and carnations may be planted out as soon as the beds are in condition. Sparrows often injure the plants in the garden. Cotton stretchers, which are placed across the plants will distract them for a time, and perhaps they will find the grasses more palatable.

BIRDS IN THE GARDEN.—Birds often do a good deal of injury to young plants coming up. There are various expedients offered to prevent this. Fishing nets, properly placed, are effectual, and such seeds as radishes, cress, and nasturtiums, which are not sown with red lead. I like this better than shooting, and it is the least objectionable.

in window, which has been recommended.

WINDOW GARDENING.—A spring display of golden wallflowers or blue forget-me-nots in the window-box is a charming effect, and the cost is trifling.


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SANDHURST AND WOOLWICH.

The reports for 1896 of the Sandhurst and Woolwich Cadets, which were published in the "Penny Magazine," have just been issued. Of the Sandhurst cadets as inspected on parade the Board of Visitors note that their appearance was "fine drawn"—owing, it was explained to the board, to the fact that the cadets had been just before in training for a long distance race—although some doubt was raised whether the real cause was not recent prevalence of influenza at Sandhurst. At the same time the board express the opinion that the curriculum at Sandhurst, variety of subjects and the frequent changes of dress, may be described as a constant rush, and they state that they were "distinctly and unfavourably impressed with the cadets' appearance." Fault is found, however, with the sumptuous hours devoted to parade drills. The board recommends that the riding school lessons should begin earlier in the Sandhurst cadets. The average height of the Sandhurst cadets is given as 5ft. 5in., and their average age 18 years; the average height of the Woolwich cadets is 5ft. 4in., and their average age 18 years. The Board of Visitors, as at Sandhurst, recommend that at Woolwich the course of riding should begin earlier in the cadets. Complaints are made of the incense of both the Sandhurst and Woolwich of the gas, supplied in the case of Sandhurst by a company, in the case of Woolwich by the Government.

NEWS FROM THE SUDAN.

Reuter's agent at Suakin, writing on the 18th ult., says:—According to news received from the interior, great excitement prevails, and preparations are being made in view of the projected further Anglo-Egyptian advance. During his last visit to the Khaliha Osman Digna was appointed Governor of Berber, and had conferred upon him the title of Dignat. He succeeded him as Emir of Adarwa. Osman Digna took up his new post at Berber on Jan. 15, arriving there at the head of 150 Baggara guards. He at once called out over 25,000 Derwishes, a large proportion of whom are well armed with rifles, reported to have been recently bought by the Khaliha from the Abyssinians. The name of the Derwishes are, however, unwilling to again take up arms, and Osman Digna has since sent out a force of 3,000 men to traverse the country and to call upon all to obey his summons under the flag of death.

THE EUROPEANS.

For the first time in the past 10 months news has been received of the Europeans still at Omdurman. They are in great fear for their lives, and anticipate that as soon as the Khaliha finds he is unable to resist the advance of the troops further up the Nile he will have them killed. During the last month about 15,000 tons of gum has been brought from Handub into the Government stores. The Khaliha has been visited by the British allowed some 10,000 tons, to be sold on the merchants guaranteeing that the proceeds should not be sent into the interior. With this exception no merchandise has been allowed to pass the gates of the town since trade has been prohibited. The Khaliha is at Donkora, where everything is quiet. The Derwishes have apparently retired, as no activity is exhibited there nor in the vicinity of Abu Hamed or Berber.

QUEEN AND CITY.

JUBILEE PROCESSION TO VISIT THE SURREY SIDE.

The preparations for the pageant that will take place on the occasion of the Queen's visit to St. Paul's are making considerable progress, and the plan of proceedings, when completed, will be far beyond anything of the same character that has ever yet been attempted in London. It was stated yesterday that the procession itself, including an extraordinary display of Colonial and Indian troops, and of our own cavalry regiments, will be not less than a mile and a half in length. The route to St. Paul's has already been indicated, and it is stated that an immense number of spectators will be present to witness the scene of the procession. The route will be from the Strand into the Borough by way of High-st., the Borough-rd., Westminster Bridge, and returning by the Strand into the Strand. The procession will be from the Strand into the Strand.

MR. DAN GODFREY.

The presentation of Mr. Dan Godfrey from officers past and present of the Brigade of Guards will take place to-morrow at the Guards Club. All subscribers, whether members of the club or not, will be admitted on this occasion. The founder of the Dan Godfrey fund, Mr. Charles Godfrey, who was appointed musician-in-ordinary to King William IV. in 1831, and was bandmaster of the Coldstream Guards. His sons were educated at the Royal Academy of Music, and followed their father's profession. It is the universal hope that Mr. Dan Godfrey may long be spared to enjoy his well-earned retiring pension.

COMING ROYAL MARRIAGES.

The present month promises to prove a month of exceptional interest with regard to royal weddings. Their number is likely to be greater than is usually the case in a whole year. One of the most interesting is the marriage of the Princess Alexandra, youngest child of the Duke and Duchess of Anhalt, whose brother, Prince Albert, is the husband of the youngest daughter of the Prince and Princess Christian of Schleswig-Holstein. She is to be married to Prince Alexander of Denmark, son of the late King of Denmark, and the daughter of the late King of Denmark. A marriage particularly interesting to the Jacobite party is that of Princess Maria of Bavaria to Prince Ferdinand of Bourbon. The mother of the Princess Maria is the Stuart heiress, the late Duchess of Albany, and the Jacobite party call her Queen Mary III. The marriage of Princess George Michaelovitch of Russia, which has long been spoken of, is also expected to take place this month.

THE BRONZE STATUETTE OF SIR T. MORE.

The bronze statuette of Sir T. More, which attracted considerable attention in last year's exhibition at the Royal Academy, has been purchased by private subscription and presented to Chelsea Public Library. More resided many years in Chelsea.

PERSONAL.

T. WILLIAMS.
PRIVATE INQUIRY AGENT.—Information obtained from a reliable source that Mr. T. Williams, of 11, St. James's Place, London, W., has been engaged to investigate the case of the late Mr. Williams, of 11, St. James's Place, London, W., who was found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

ALFRED RICHARD MORRIS.

SANITARY ENGINEER.—Mr. Alfred Richard Morris, of 11, St. James's Place, London, W., has been appointed Sanitary Engineer to the Board of Health, and will be responsible for the sanitary condition of the city of London.

WILLIAM RHODES.

SON OF ELIZABETH RHODES.—The son of Elizabeth Rhodes, of 11, St. James's Place, London, W., who was found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

STEVENS UNION.

ALIAS FREDERICK LAMBERT.—The alias Frederick Lambert, of 11, St. James's Place, London, W., who was found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

WALTER SLATER.

SON OF THOMAS SLATER.—The son of Thomas Slater, of 11, St. James's Place, London, W., who was found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

JOHN JAMES MASON.

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UNCLAIMED MONEY AND PROPERTY.

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ATTORNEYS' DETECTIVE OFFICES.

CATHERINE STREET, LONDON.—A person who has been found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

MATRIMONIAL.

YOUNG LADY.—A young lady who has been found dead in her room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

THE MATRIMONIAL BUREAU.

CONDUCTED BY THE LONDON SOCIETY.—A person who has been found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

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OFFICIAL SITUATIONS.—(Continued).

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ROYAL MARINE.

STOKERS FOR THE ROYAL NAVY.—A person who has been found dead in his room on the 18th ult. The investigation is being conducted by Mr. Williams, who is a well-known private investigator.

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